

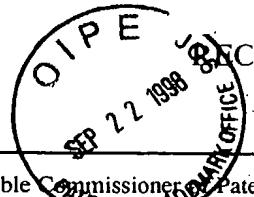
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WHEREAS, L'AIR LIQUIDE, SOCIETE ANONYME POUR L'ETUDE ET, L'EXPLOITATION DES PROCEDES GEORGES CLAUDE (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), having a place of business at: 75 quai d'Orsay, 75321 PARIS Cedex 07, FRANCE desires to acquire from Karl S. Beers and Charles L. Anderson the entire right, title and interest they have in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted thereof in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I (WE), by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, all of our right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and my entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

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